CUSTOMER NO.: 24498 PATENT Serial No.: 10/520,854 PU020335

Office Action dated: June 20, 2008 Response dated: October 10, 2008

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: John Alan Gervais

Serial No.: 10/520,854

Filed: January 11, 2005

For: APPLICATION LEVEL GATEWAY AND

FIREWALL RULE SET DOWNLOAD

VALIDATION

Examiner: Kim, T.

Group Art: 2153

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please enter and consider the following Amendment.

Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page $\underline{6}$ of this paper.